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31 March 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Staff Meeting Minutes of 31 March 1980

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The Director chaired the meeting. []

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[] reported the Credit Union meeting held on 29 March for retirees went well. He explained the meeting's purpose and said Hitz addressed the group on the status of Charters and other legislation pertaining to intelligence. [] said Hitz's remarks were well received. []

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Hetu reported that, thus far in 1980, 30 articles have been submitted to the Publications Review Board--29 from former employees. He noted this is an increase over the same period in 1979. Clarke and the Director queried Hetu on []

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Clarke advised the Director that OER will provide briefings to Department of Energy Secretary Duncan prior to his trip to Mexico scheduled for this week. []

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Clarke announced Wayne Strand will succeed [] as Director, Office of Imagery Analysis. Clarke said [] will become his Special Assistant for Community Interests. He said [] is already chairing an interagency project dealing with management of intelligence analysis and production in response to an RMS requirement. []

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Hitz called attention to potential difficulty involving the lineup of HPSCI hearings this week on two recent Presidential Findings. He said a hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, 1 April, with Representative Aspin re policy on authorization followed by another hearing on Wednesday, 2 April, with Representative Burlison re release of funds. Hitz suggested the Director bring this to Representative Burlison's attention when he meets with him today. Lipton opined, however, that despite the awkwardness of the situation, now would not be a good time to pursue this with Representative Burlison. []

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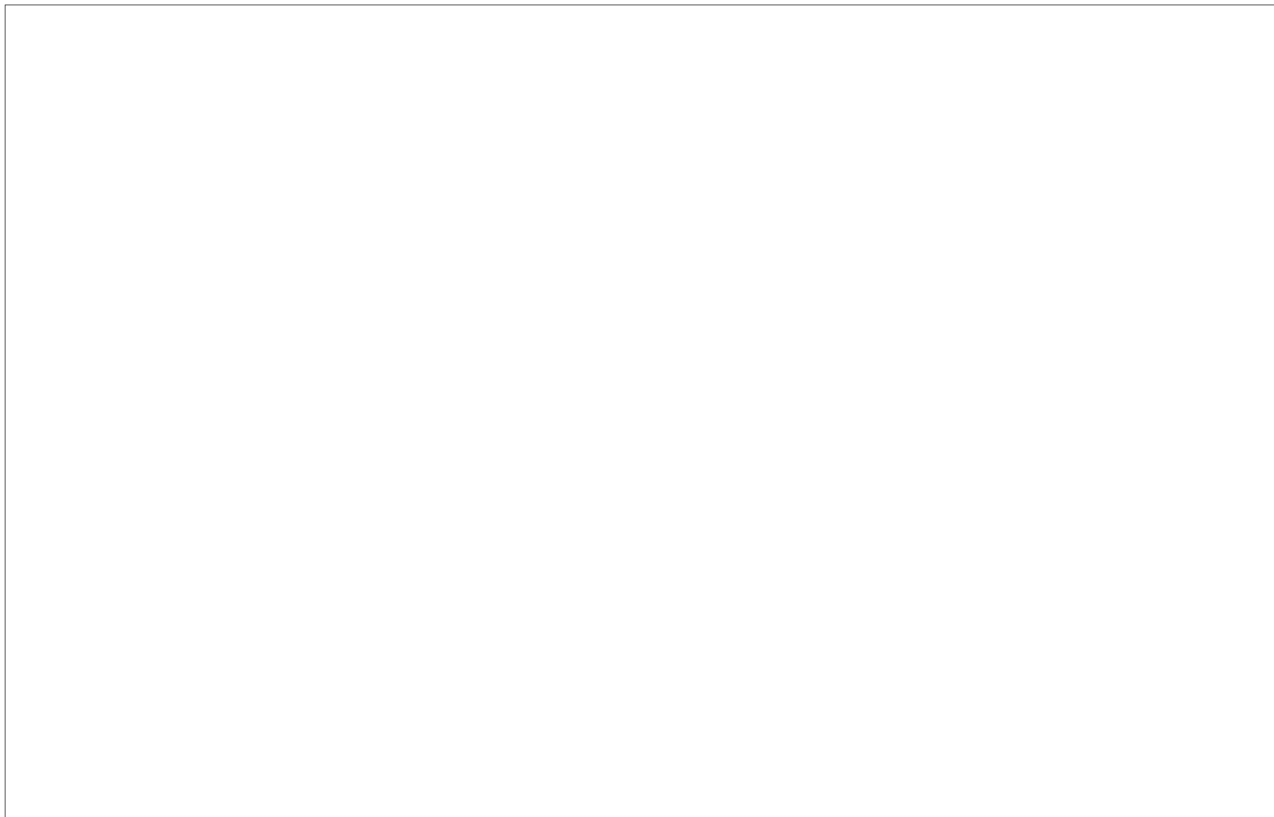
Hitz said he has notified State we are responding to Representative Bill Young's (HPSCI) request that we provide an update briefing to him and other Committee members on the situation in El Salvador. Also, Hitz said he and Silver will be meeting with HPSCI Chief Counsel Mike O'Neil re poor language in the Committee's Charter package. Relatedly, Hitz said he has drafted a letter from the Director to the Vice President on the Charter situation. Mr. Carlucci said that when the letter is ready he will get it directly to []

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Briggs reported he had a good session with the current Midcareer course this week []

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